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In re: Trademark Application 78/830,058

Rocky Brands, Inc.

Opposer,

VS.

Binder Salem Co. Inc.

Applicant.

Opposition No. 91175581

ANSWER TO OPPOSITION

Applicant Binder Salem Co. Inc. (hereinafter "Applicant") hereby responds to the Notice of Opposition of Opposer, Rocky Brands, Inc. (hereinafter "Opposer") as follows:

- 1. Applicant admits the allegations contained in paragraph 1 of the Notice of Opposition.
- 2. Applicant lacks knowledge and information sufficient to form a belief about the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 2 of the Notice of Opposition, and on that basis, denies the same.
- 3. Applicant lacks knowledge and information sufficient to form a belief about the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 3 of the Notice of Opposition, and on that basis, denies the same.
- 4. Applicant lacks knowledge and information sufficient to form a belief about the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 4 of the Notice of Opposition, and on that basis, denies the same.
- 5. Applicant denies the allegations contained in paragraph 5 of the Notice of Opposition.
- 6. Applicant denies the allegations contained in paragraph 6 of the Notice of Opposition.

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- 7. Applicant lacks knowledge and information sufficient to form a belief about the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 7 of the Notice of Opposition, and on that basis, denies the same.
- 8. Applicant denies the allegations contained in paragraph 8 of the Notice of Opposition.
- 9. Applicant denies the allegations contained in paragraph 9 of the Notice of Opposition.

Applicant further asserts the following affirmative defenses:

- 1. Opposer lacks standing.
- 2. Laches.
- 3. Estopple.
- 4. Acquiescence.

WHEREFORE, Applicant requests that this Opposition be denied, and that Application Serial No. 78/830,058 proceed to registration.

Respectfully Submitted

DATED: May 18, 2007

RUSS, AUGUST & KABAT

By:

Clark D. Gross

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Seven Licensing Company, LLC

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